## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of	MAIL STOP RCE
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For: COMPOSITION HAVING GELLING SPROPERTIES FOR THE PROLONGED DELIVERY OF BIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES	) ) )

## REPLY AND AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING FILING OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In further response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2008, and in light of the Advisory Action dated November 6, 2008, please first amend the above-identified patent application as follows: